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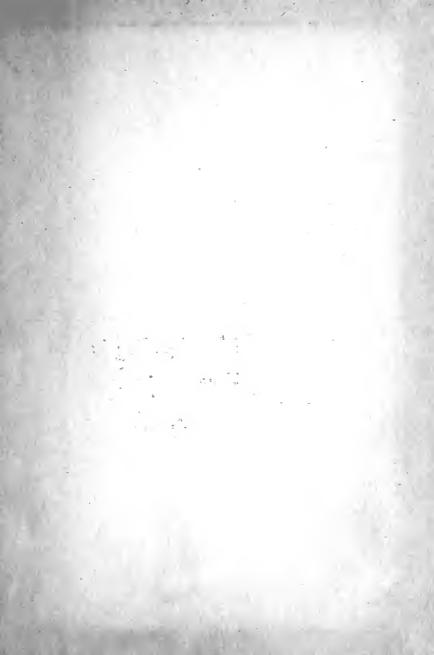
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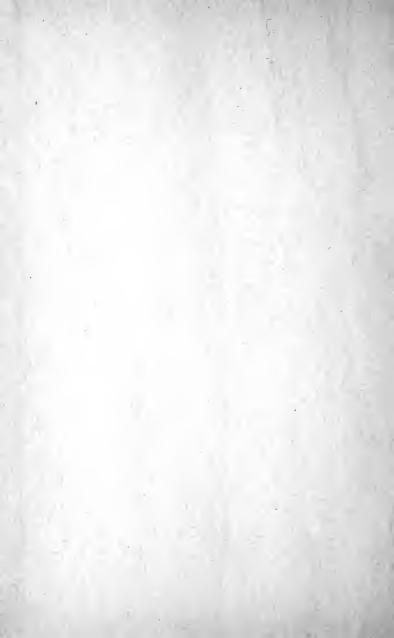


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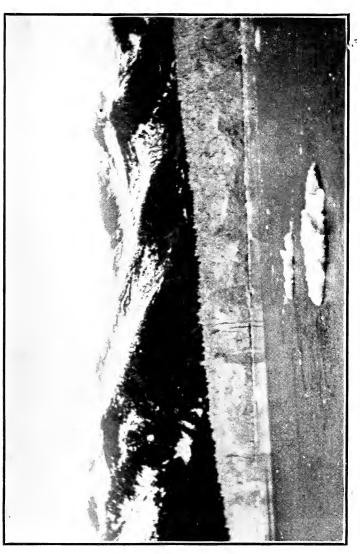




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Furrowed by Thor's great hand

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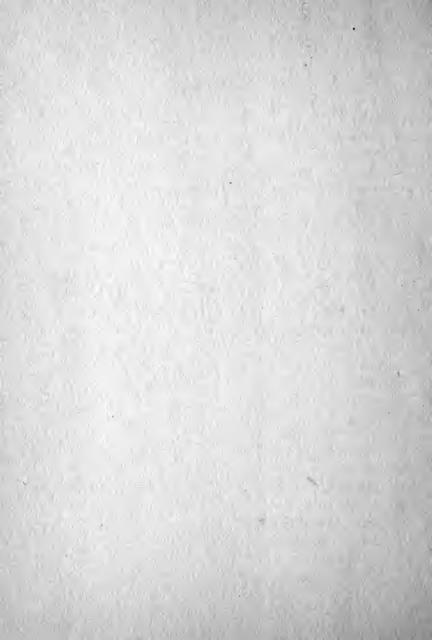
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### FOREWORD

"SEE AMERICA" has become a national slogan, and the author of the following poems, acting upon the suggestion contained in the phrase, made a tour of the northwest and recorded her impressions.

The beauties of this vast section of the continent cannot be overemphasized or exaggerated, and artists, authors and poets have found inspiration in their contemplation.

The rugged peaks of Canada, rough, massive and irregular, are appropriately termed "Rockies." Owing to marvelous railroad construction, one is enabled to see the mountains at close range, and running from them, picturesque streams ending in turbulent rivers and opalescent lakes.

Alaska, the "great country," possesses unusual interest; for in addition to the scenic beauty and grandeur of gigantic glaciers, pinnacled ice-bergs, tortuous channels, snow-capped mountains, green hills and striking sunsets, there are the Alaskan

Indian, the weird totem-poles, the gold trails of the nineties, and one can get a slight idea of the vast wealth and resources of this Territory of the United States, whose history and exploitation are just beginning.

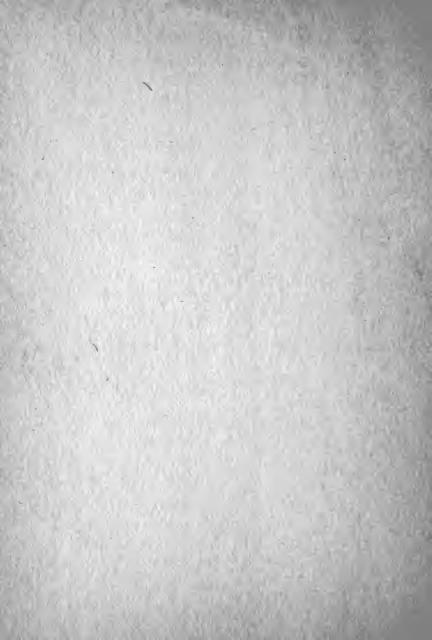
The Yellowstone Park set up by the Government for the "benefit and enjoyment of the people" has countless beauties. The hot springs, geysers, colored terraces, steam vents, lakes emitting colored vapors, mud geysers and paint pots, lead to the climax found in the sublime Grand Canyon of the Yellowstone River.

The Great Lakes, busy with the coal and copper industry, whose shores are the scenes of active cities and pleasure resorts; and Niagara, the greatest cataract in the world, are referred to in these pages, and are some of the wonders visited by the author.

If this little book will stimulate others, until now too engrossed in their daily tasks, to know or care much about the marvels of their own country, to visit some or all of these places, the tourist will owe to the author a lasting debt of gratitude.

D. J. Fox

Now we'll see the Great Northwest Mountains high we'll climb with zest, Nature showing us her best Westward ho!



### ST. PAUL-MINNEAPOLIS

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- Twin brother and sister both well grown and fair
  - Connected by a soft strip of sand.
- St. Paul gives his bridal wreaths for sister to wear,
  - She flings him soft waters to make fertile the land.
- Their parks they share commonly; also their homes
  - Many large public buildings, with wonderful domes.
- Capitol, Library, Ft. Smedley, Cathedral,
  Take hold of our hearts for a home 'tis
  ideal!

#### MINNEHAHA FALLS

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Minehaha (laughing water)
Falling gracefully and swift,
Pure white tresses, soft and wavy.
Mother's wringlets to be kissed.

Like her face so gentle ever,
Never changing with the years
Always calm, serene, and lovely.
Smiling sweetly through her tears.

### EN ROUTE

## THE PEOPLE ONE MEETS ON THE TRAIN

A pleasurable part of our journey through life,

Consists of the company we meet.

If we travel by rail, or float on the seas, Some interesting people we'll greet.

A dear little mother, with four tiny tots, One four, one two and boy twins,

Who are journeying far, into Washington state,

Where father'll be waiting — all smiles, joyous grins.

No nurse for these babies, 'cept mother herself,

But brave as a lion is she.

She smilingly said "After just four days more

We'll arrive at our home in the Western country."

### THE PEOPLE ONE MEETS ON THE TRAIN

- Next came a soldier, just returned from the war,
  - Tall, handsome fellow, broad shouldered and strong,
- He told us his story (for wifey was there)
  And two lovely children along.
- The dear baby boy, was a new toy for him, His acquaintance he'd just shortly made,
- His arrival occurred while father was gone,

  The news came by wire it told what he
  weighed!
- A man from Australia spoke to us next, He had been in the States many times.
- Oft' traveled in many and far distant lands, Had heard many languages; seen many climes.
- He had lived 'mongst the Fijis, and found them quite kind,
  - Our song-bird, (Nellie Melba), he knew.

### THE PEOPLE ONE MEETS ON THE TRAIN

Oft' for her he played, while she sang her sweet songs,

From so interesting a traveler, we much knowledge drew.

A soldier was there who'd been gassed and shot,

By the Huns in this awful "World War." He spoke of Gallipoli, and the hardships endured,

Bad water, bad food, flies by millions he saw.

He cannot endure to remain in one place, He will ne'er be content till he's seen the whole race.

Will we ever, yea ever, see these folks again, These interesting people we met on the train?

### EN ROUTE

# THROUGH MINNESOTA AND NORTH DAKOTA

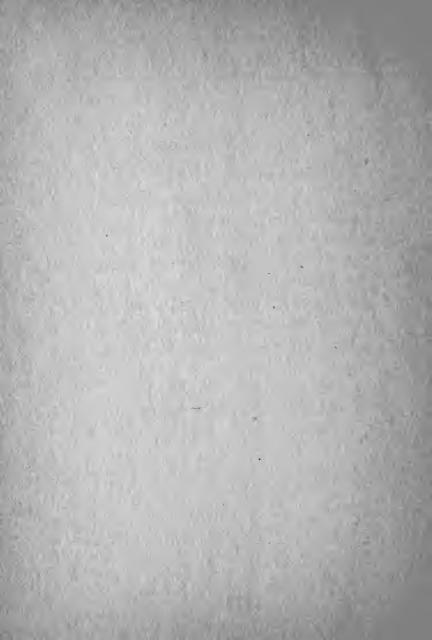
Wonderful farming country, we're swiftly passing through,
The loam is black in fertile field.
Young wheat and corn is coming forth
A bounteous harvest sure to yield.

The cattle grazing in the rain,
The children fair and sweet.
A snake-like stream, and then a lake,
Myriads of wild flowers at our feet.

The farmer's barn with haystacks high, And implements for farming. With family group about the door, Completes this pictures charming.

### CANADIAN ROCKIES

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### ENTRANCE TO THE CANADIAN ROCKIES NEAR BANFF

Sapphire streams and emerald lakes,
Guide us on to wonderland.

Soft green hills and wooded vales,
Rugged peaks by heaven fanned.

Fleecy clouds are drifting o'er,
As if to shade them from the sun.

Heights quite softly bathed in snow,
Giant bodies — gray as guns.

Guns that peacefully do sleep — Sentinels stand as time doth creep.

### **BANFF**

- Bow River where runneth thou so swiftly and strong?
- "I'm leaving for the sea: I gather water all day long
- From the high, gray, snow-capped mountains, released in cascades grand,
- Which trickle down the mountain sides by nature wisely planned.
- Bow Falls I formed alluring charming to gaze upon.
- All comers to our lovely climes, enjoy their hurried run.
- And madcap leaps in snow-white foam
  Which continues through the centuries yea
  many more they'll roam."
- We're placed as snow upon the mountains, While ofttimes change our course
- Until at length our lives are spent, Nature regains her force.

### LAKE LOUISE

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Just at the base of the mountains
A jeweled heart is seen,
The heart of a beautiful maiden
Pulsations quite serene.

Opaline colors gleaming forth
From the heart of this maiden fair.
Coupled with facial beauty,
A jeweled heart is rare.

Around her stand her protectors
From the cold and icy wind.
She treads a path of fleecy snow
When her boudoir she would find.

Thou'rt a bride indeed, Louise,
A fair and lovely bride,
Thy mantle, the soft, green spruce trees
Thy robe the azure skies.

### LAKE LOUISE

At early dawn quite silently
We look into thy heart,
We see reflected in it
A world of beauty and of art.

The mountains high, the glaciers grand,
The great stone turrets all,
Thy character reflected deep and strong,
As this stone wall.

### THE VALLEY OF THE TEN PEAKS

## THE VALLEY OF THE TEN PEAKS AND LAKE MORAIN

Ten dark and stately pyramids
Thrown up by nature's force.
Their apex jutting to the sky,
Their base earth's bowels coarse.
Encased in snow and ice,
Glaciers connecting all,
By mist obscured — this giant mass,
A veritable iron wall.
Morain's emerald waters,
Lie at thy feet below,
Placid and still to rest the eye,
Huge basin for the snow.

#### THE YOHO VALLEY

# EN ROUTE THE YOHO VALLEY

Huge mountain peaks like aged giants, Majestically enthrall.

Through deep ravines and valleys green Soft emerald streamlets fall.

They rush and leap as if to show
Their antics free and easy.
The ferns and mosses smiling through,
The summer air so breezy.

#### EMERALD LAKE

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The most glorious emerald in the wide,
wide world
Is this jewel of wondrous sheen,
Encased in rugged and snow-capped peaks,
An ever changing green.

A silver cast oft passes o'er, As clouds do come and go; Then jade we see when waters are Quite shallow far below.

Eight tall, strong, giants guarding
This precious jewel rare;
Its dark green fire rewarding
Their constant tender care.

#### THE ILLECILLEWAET VALLEY

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We come to nature's wonderland, Planned by God's wise hand; Soft mountains now; peaks sugared o'er, While streams wind through the land.

The foliage on the mountain sides, Like thickest carpet green; The fir trees, spruce, and poplars, Bring memories as we dream.

Of happy days of childhood, When with toys we used to play; We see again our dear Noah's ark, Come back to us today.

The rugged mountains now have passed,
The soft and gentle here;
The fleecy clouds now hover o'er —
This valley has no peer.

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#### THE ILLECILLEWAET VALLEY

Through tunnels dark we wind our way, (Cut through the mountains wide); At last we come to Glacier, With barren, rocky, sides.

High up we see the water-falls,
Stiff frozen by the snows;
This Glacier (great ice mountain),
'Twixt two soft green ones grows.

Then highest peaks with bridal veils, Fast flowing down their side; The Illecillewaet madly rushes on, An ever flowing tide.

Its banks well filled with verdure:
We think we see the gnomes
Staring at us from out the caves,
Their giant, natural homes.

The bear, the deer, the antelope
Are gazing from on high;
The eagle and the great white owl
Flutter and start, as we pass by.

#### THE ILLECILLEWAET VALLEY

And dart into the thicket,

To hide from human sight;

The silver clouds fall on the hills,

We're loath to find 'tis night.

## ALBERT-CANYON GORGE

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Albert-Canyon Gorge is presented to our view,

A rift between the mountains, with waters rushing through.

Some hundred feet in depth, Whose sides are solid rocks, Implanted are the trees and shrubs, Whose roots resist all shocks.

#### REVELSTOKE

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Surrounded by beautiful, dark green hills,
As quiet as if asleep:
The air is pure: the flowers fair,
At a charming spot we peep.
A balm for the nerves is a place like this,
A fertile valley by nature kissed.

#### **SICAMOUS**

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Shuswap Lake (where the waters join), Is forty-three miles in length: 'Tis bordered by many tall, green hills, Showing singular beauty and strength. We're off on a fishing trip today, Just ready to steam at once, And hope to have a plenteous share, Before 'tis time for lunch. The bear came out to greet us, And the bald-headed eagle, too; But the salmon and the rainbow trout Had something else to do. However, we will not despair, We've hours yet to try, And should our hopes be blasted, We'll promise not to sigh. For the day is fair, and the company fine, Such scenes as here are most divine. Our luck improved as the day advanced, Some speckled beauties our share.

## **SICAMOUS**

The placid lake, the sunset's glow,
Formed a charming picture rare.
The long twilights in this north country,
Will linger long with us.
A land of peaceful, kindly folk,
Whose word you can always trust.
The silver sheen comes o'er the lake;
The mist of evening on the hills.
Night's quiet settles over all,
The robin's note is stilled.

#### **VANCOUVER**

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Leaving behind the Cascade Mounts, Which flow in graceful waves, We come into Vancouver, On whose shores soft waters lave.

Beautiful driveways here abound With flower laden homes and gardens.

Huge cedars greet our eye, And shrubs with blossoms laden.

We pass along the rocky shore,
And watch the busy crow
Take clams from off the sandy beach,
Quickly away she goes

To heights above the rocky land,
And then with instinct keen,
She throws them down with all her might,
And breaks the shells atwain.

## **VANCOUVER**

A feast is now before her,
This great, black bird so queer.
'Tis oft' we find this human sense
In the creatures of the air.

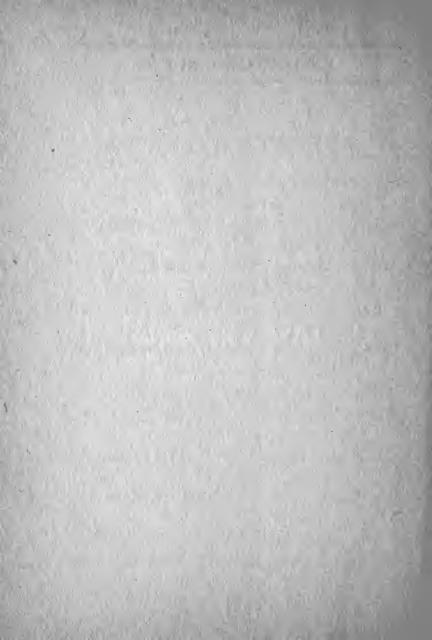
The gateway to the Pacific
Is this far western place.
We touch the fingers of Japan,
And fondly smile at all her grace.

East Indians, Chinese, Poles are here, Yet all seem to agree, That England's rule is fair and square, They feel proud that they are free

To come and go, and do as please, As long as they respect The laws of that great country, Whose protection they select.

# ALASKA REGIONS

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#### EN ROUTE TO ALASKA

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We are going, we are going To the land of the beyond

Where the mountains seem to sweetly kiss the clouds.

Where the silver waters flow

In a calm majestic stream,

And the rising sun throws out its roseate glow.

The walrus and the polar bear are ever friendly foes,

The caribou and eagle always swift,

The greyling in the river, and the foxes in their lair

Wouldn't change for all the precious gold they sift.

The vastness and the solitude is all we seem to feel

And wonder how the Indians on the shore Can be content to live their lives in this quiet, easy way.

## EN ROUTE TO ALASKA

Their wants are small, they crave for nothing more.

Are we happier than these people, Nature's children of the forest?

Our longings and our cravings are oft great As the worm he crawleth ever

Are we ever, yea, yes ever

Quite contented with our lot and with our
fate?

#### EN ROUTE TO ALASKA

While traveling by boat from B. C. to Skagway

We met a gold miner by chance

Who staked his first claim in the year '96 And whose wealth has materially advanced.

His interests lie in many great mines

Whose riches we can hardly conceive,

He's his own guide, knows the country by heart

Am sure would be hard to deceive.

We asked if at any time in his mining career He had been badly treated "In claims."

He said only once of any account

And that by the proudest of names

Our dear U. S. A. had taken away

All the coal mines in country sought.

I told him just here, that he need have no fear

For with gold, much coal could be bought.

## EN ROUTE TO KETCHIKAN

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The broad expanse, the sky so blue Pacific's arm we're sailing through, The mountain heights, the wooded isles The cloud effects our time beguiles.

When twilight time comes slowly on
The sky in west appears
As golden sands in Orient
On which our eyes could feast for years.

Deep in the night when all is hushed Save the sound of lapping water Artistic scenes come to our ken A memory ever after.

We fain would have our brush in hand
With pallette, easel, paints,
And place upon that canvas now
These glorious evening tints.

## EN ROUTE TO KETCHIKAN

This far north land brings romance
Into our very heart,
We feel our youth return to us
A thrill comes — and we start!

We're far, but not alone,
Our heavenly Guide is near
He's with us through the universe
He's our Protector dear.

For through our love — He loves us
We are His children ever.
His hand will guide our wanderings
His spirit — leave us never.

The sun-capped peaks in sunlight bright
Seem brilliant heavenly lanterns there.
Ever guiding onward —
To ethereal scenes more and more fair.

#### KETCHIKAN

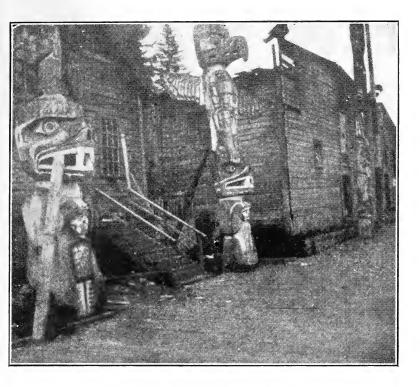
# **KETCHIKAN**

Totem (lineage) poles
Greet us on every side.
They firmly fix the family tree
Which is the Indian's pride.

When the male of any household
Is suddenly called away
E'en the Great Spirit takes him,
His history's preserved alway.

A Totem pole is then erected
On the site of the master's home
Straightway in many carvings
The tribe is cast upon.

When two would join in wedlock It is decreed in Indian lore That eagle or whale shall not marry One of the same to mar.



TOTEM (LINEAGE) POLES
Greet us on every side.
They firmly fix the family tree
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## KETCHIKAN

A happy, blissful union,
But the *opposite* they may wed;
For they felt this law was necessary
To cut off intermarriages.

We can learn some useful lessons
From these simple early races
Their honor and sagacity
Oft outruns us many paces.

# EN ROUTE TO THE TAKU GLACIER

Icebergs of various shapes and hues
We pass as we steam along
They're broken from the glaciers
Which were their one-time home.

They seem to want to float away
Drifting into the world,
When time has passed and seasons change
Beneath the seas they're whirled.

Seven times as deep beneath the surface As they are upon the top. They oft supply the canneries With ice just near the spot.

## TAKU GLACIER

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Field of opal ice
Furrowed by Thor's great hand
Ploughed and planted by father time
Whose home seems this fair land.

The fathomless depths of sapphire blue
The snow flowers on the surface
The floes of ice seen clearly through
Stand forth as to entrance us.

Seventy miles in length
A mile or so across
The height in air three hundred feet
Beneath — our calculation's lost.

Blue as m'lady's eyes
Staunch as the heart of a friend
Cold as war's own heartless steel
'Twill so remain till end.

# TAKU GLACIER

Huge pieces break from time to time And fall into the water With crash and roar and hissing sound Noisy concussion after.

Oft tiny forms we see ahead Some hills, a seal, a swan, We slowly, sadly sail away This wondrous scene has gone.

# SKAGWAY TO LAKE BENNETT

'Round mountain sides, past flowing streams,

Above the canyon's deep abyss The rocky slopes, with verdant trees Show us a land by nature kissed.

Swift currents flow by trappers' hut
And all the hills seem strangely cold
The cascades rushing down to stream
Carrying with them untold gold.

The process's long and tiresome
Ere 'tis turned into the mould.
The figures carved in mountain sides
Form many pictures bold.

The dizzy heights into the sky
The waterfalls so near
The rivulets and little runs
Like etchings do appear.

Huge boulders fallen all around Give signs of nature's forces We look and often seem to see The gold in the crevices.

The flowering shrubs approach us now
The many vines in bloom
The trail upon the mountain side
"Sheep Camp" now far in gloom.

Two little huts are all that's left
In that dark ravine deep
Which formerly meant a hospice
For tired souls requiring sleep.

Into great nature's wonderland
Here on the top of world
Where winter's storms and summer's winds
Brought beauties — here unfurled.

Now glacial heights we see

And Skagway Canyon we pass through.

In former days white tents were here

Now only trail do come to view.

In earlier times this granite land
Was tropical and warm
A great upheaval then took place
Which unsettled all the calm.

And threw these giant mountains
From the bowels of the ground
They judge this by the Mastodon
Which just near here was found.

'Twas only in the tropics
That this great creature dwelt
Where torrid sun and languid breeze
All through the year is felt.

Dead Horse Gorge we're going through
Wherein the years long past
So many horses dropped and died
From sheer fatigue — at last.

We are molecules on this wondrous earth
Born to live, and sleep and die,
We often judge our nothingness
By the mountains in the sky.

Their base denotes our youth — Blossoming and fair.
All paths through life are rugged Snow tops show age is there.

#### SUNSET ON THE PACIFIC

# SUNSET ON THE PACIFIC

- The silver gleam of sunset falls on the northern sea
  - Gazing far into the west, we seem two suns to see
- A golden glow in distance between the evening hills
  - The rainbow colors come and go our senses pulsate thrill.
- Between the dark and distant peaks many snow mounts peep.
- Some tiny isles with verdure filled: the mist falls fast, the mountains sleep.
- Although the rain comes quickly now, they're lovely in their weeping.
- For wrapt around with snowy sheets, they're beauteous in their sleeping.

#### ALERT BAY

# ALERT BAY

- A little fishing village banked close against the shore
- With modern salmon cannery; and Indians by the score
- Many curious Totem poles, painted and carved by hand.
- Huts with open rafters; sweet children near at hand,
- Older women cleaning fish: to be dried for the long, cold winter
- Quaint slim canoes on the sandy shore (which seem too frail to enter)
- The Indian grave with monument of monstrous wooden fish
- The great bear rugs, the baskets fine, and many a savory dish
- Would make us have respect for these harmless peaceful creatures.
- Whom we hope to educate in time and brighten their sad features.

# VICTORIA, B. C.

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Victoria the queen of the northern isles

Thy beauty brings rapture, thy grace calls forth smiles.

Thy parks and thy gardens with flowers so rare

Are a source of great pleasure — to thee none can compare.

We hie to the country to view the estates See Italian sunken gardens, with fish for inmates.

The Japanese gardens, with bridge and pagoda

Dwarf trees and quaint mill which is propelled by the water.

Banks upon banks of carnations and lilies Violets and nasturtiums, snowballs and peonies.

The Saarnich telescope which throws its bright rays

# VICTORIA, B. C.

- Two hundred thousand miles and whose results both amaze
- And interest, as the suns, stars, we see depicted on glass
- And wonder what in time will be gleaned of this mass.

# SUNSET

(VICTORIA, B. C.)

Silver glow of purple sunset
Shines in yonder ruby skies
Fades at length just like a moonbeam
Silver-grey seems to arise.
Glorious sun-ball sinks so slowly
Its reflection caught on water
Seems a bridge of rarest platinum
On which fairies full of laughter
Dance and frolic, sing and play,
'Til all is hushed at close of day.

# SUNSET (PUGET SOUND)

# SUNSET

(ON PUGET SOUND)

A golden dragon seen on high Far above the hills It is the sunset in the sky Causing our senses countless thrills! Verily a sky of molten gold It calls us with its lure To golden halls and castles there To dreams so sweet and pure Its light is casting high above A glorious golden ray A parting kiss we give to thee Thou'st made a perfect day. A day so perfect who can tell If 'twill ever come again. We can't expect all sunshine Our hearts are tried by pain.

# SUNSET (SAME DAY)

# SUNSET

(SAME DAY)

Heavenly fires burning bright
Torches now are lighted
Even as we gaze on high
We seem to be afrighted.
The mountains now seem all aglow
With ruby red and molten flow
Of some celestial substance
We feel, Oh Lord, Thy true existence.

#### SEATTLE

# **SEATTLE**

Seattle so-called from an Indian chief Justly deserves its name

As proud as a chieftain its people should be Of its playing and winning the game.

In a short space of time, from a very small place

To a thriving and prosperous town.

Fine buildings, fine homes and many fine lakes

In beauty the land abounds

Lake Washington is viewed from the avenue of homes

Oh, placid and beautiful water!

Mt. Ranier stands guard, in the distance we see

Like a father protecting a daughter.

Many ships are built for the navy here There're locks and canals and piers

One canal is used for the foreign ships To be cleaned ere awaiting repairs.

## SEATTLE

- The population consists of those from all lands
  - Swedes, Norwegians, Scandinavians and Fins,
- Chinese and Japs, and East Indian folks Canadians and Americans
- Each house has its garden, each home has its flowers
  - The views most enchanting, as seen from the towers.

#### MOUNT RANIER

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Old man with snowy hair,
Tell me thy story now.
How many suns and winter moons
Have passed before thy brow?

So many, children of the earth,
I dare not fix the limit.
Six glaciers form and radiate
Like starfish from my summit.

Huge streams from these flow madly
And rushing far below,
Make fertile fourteen valleys
Whose flowers are fed by snow.

So great and high my crest oft seems
With foam clouds for a cover
That which is mount and which is sky
They ofttimes can't discover.

#### MOUNT RANIER

They say some day I'll blow away As I did years ago.

I vomited two thousand feet And threw it far below.

I'm cold without yet warm at heart
And when I look on mortals
I'd like to feel that they're the same
Awaiting heavenly portals.

### PORTLAND

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Portland the city of roses
Red and pink and white
Even the hedges are roses
A marvelously beautiful sight.

Each person vies with the other
To grow them more and more fair
Trellised far up on the houses
They seem to be born of the air.

What is softer, more fragrant, more lovely
Than our beautiful, beautiful rose
It sweetly greets infant arriving
It kisses the frame in repose.

It blesses the bride at the altar
Bringing joy wherever it goes
To the mother, the soldier, the sweetheart,
This beautiful, beautiful rose.

#### COLUMBIA RIVER

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- Its source in Priest Lake, Idaho, this river winds its way
  - Broad and strong towards its mouth: its beauty will ever hold sway.
- Sometimes rapids, then eddies, then smooth as glass,
  - Bordered by soft willows, and velvety grass.
- Dotted here and there by small islands or huge boulders
  - Above, natural parapets, devoid of the soldiers
- Numberless scows with wheeled salmon-traps
  Which after catching these fish, throw
  them into the nets.
  - The rugged shores Mt. Hood far away
- Whose white frame stands boldly on this clear, brilliant day

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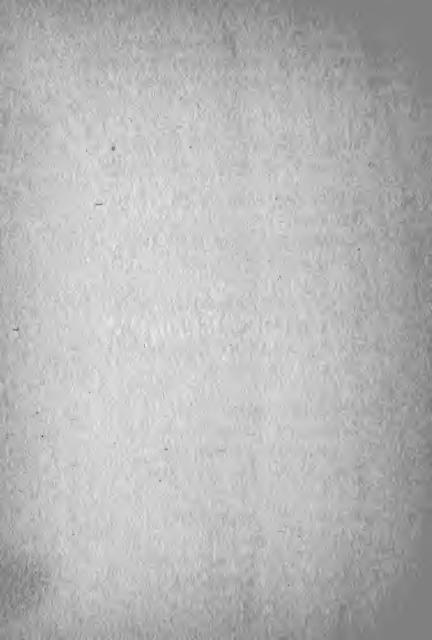
- Many picturesque villages their orchards so fair
- Of apples, cherries and prunes show a landscape quite rare.

There're sheep in the pastures: there're cows in the tether

The river flows on, and will flow on forever.

### YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK

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## YELLOWSTONE PARK MAMMOTH HOT SPRINGS

The air is hot, and parched and dry
The mountains seem of sand
The trees not thick as heretofore
We've come top of land.

Nature so strange provides for all The vagaries of her sex. She's showing us her water power Here on this great apex.

Terraces so wonderful
Thrown up in graceful shapes
The water oozing from them
Falls glistening while it bakes

Quite fast, and crystallizes
Again and yet again
To open wide a curious sight
For ever wandering man.

## YELLOWSTONE PARK HOT SPRINGS

The sulphurous pools are many hues
The strata varicolored
Even the tiny gopher finds
His home in which he burrows.

## EN ROUTE TO OLD FAITHFUL INN

Leaving this place by Silver Gate
We pass the Hoodoo Height
Which looks like many treacherous gnomes
Completely petrified in flight

From nature's wonderland.

The colored rocks, the rustic falls

And beautiful Glen Creek

The little woodchucks on the road

And e'en the elks do greet.

They start but do not seem to fear For no one harms God's creatures here.

Twin lakes alike in shape but differing in color

Norris Basin steaming forth like many, many boilers

Prismatic Lake with waters boiling hot

Colored vapors rising, form a wondrous picture on this spot.

Momentary changes here take place

### EN ROUTE TO OLD FAITHFUL INN

Blue, brick, tan, pink, and green
So overcome by nature's phenomena, verily
stunned we seem

One by one we pass these marvelous pools Morning Glory, Beryl, Punch Bowl and Jewels.

Bubbling with purest sparkling water. The geysers come then shortly after.

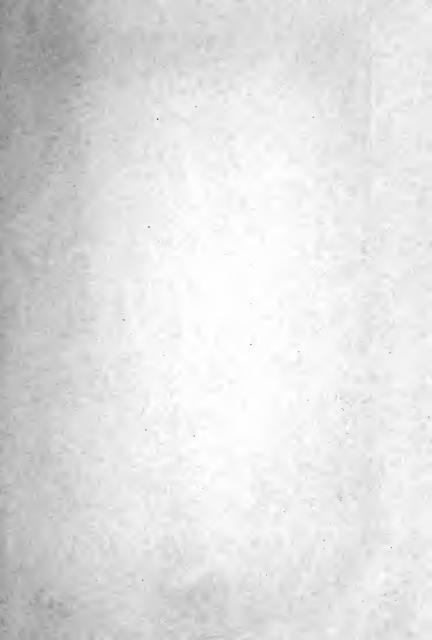
#### OLD FAITHFUL GEYSER

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Boiling, steaming, seething, hissing,
Churning the water to flakes
Until with a fitful rush and gush
Old Faithful again awakes.
A stream spurts up two hundred feet
Ever mounting higher
Repeating this hourly task each day
Without a thought of tire.
Faithful as his name implies
The rainbow gleams in sunny skies
Reminding us of God's promise rare
Assuring us of his watchful care.

## YELLOWSTONE LAKE AND SURROUNDINGS

A radiantly lovely jewel
Of sapphire blue is seen
Each change of shifting cloudlets
Brings forth another sheen
Her waters in fish abounding
Her shores the campers' delight
The distant Teton mountains
Bring snow caps into sight
The Lone Star geyser deep in forest
Keepler Falls crossing our way
The gruesome Mud Volcano and Grotto
Give keen enjoyment on this day





FALLS OF THE YELLOWSTONE Rushing, roaring, falling ever Spray ascending in softest mist

## FALLS OF THE YELLOWSTONE

Rugged canyon walls
Rocks tan and brown and red
Emerald streamlet far below
Beauteous falls seen just ahead,
Rushing, roaring, falling ever
Spray ascending in softest mist
Heavens clear blue: trees darkest green
A place for lovers and a tryst.

Yellowstone Falls a maiden seems
In her sparkling blush of youth
Bedecked in softest snow-white robes
The admiration of all forsooth
Her moods are many and changing
As the winds which float on high,
One moment playful as the sunshine,
The next somber as the clouds in sky.

#### FALLS OF THE YELLOWSTONE

Human nature is always so,
Changing and changing ever
We must cheer the paths of those we love
Tiding dark days over.
The little bluebird flits here and there
Lending a dash of color.
The eagle high up on Thumb Rock
Is now a nesting mother,
Father eagle hovering near
Keeping watch o'er those most dear.

## THE GRAND CANYON THE BEARS

Bruin comes down from the hills
When the shadows of evening fall
To feed on the rubbish and swill
Which is cast away by all.

See the black, the brown, the cinnamon, Come walking along so queer And later the burly grizzly With her little cub so dear.

Baby trots after mother
Oft standing on his hind legs
And when they reach the feeding grounds
For a dainty bit he begs.

The other bears seem quite afraid
Of grizzly being near
And slink away into the woods
While the sea-gulls take to air.

### THE GRAND CANYON - THE BEARS

These fish-birds seen by hundreds
Feeding amongst the bear
Bird and beast at harmony
As it should be everywhere.

#### MOUNT WASHBURN

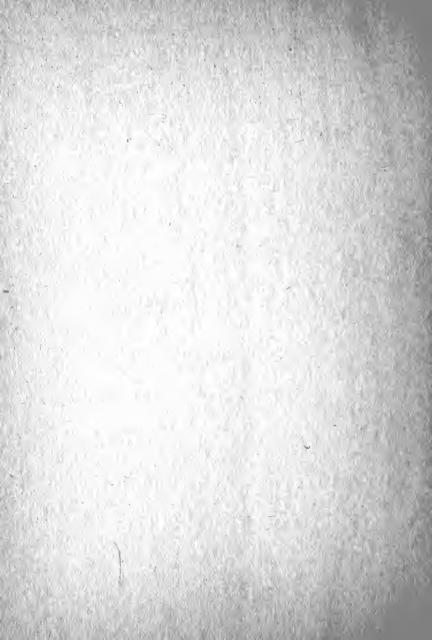
## **MOUNT WASHBURN**

Gazing into this broad expanse
We're awed and realize
The magnitude of our great earth
As viewed from near the skies.

Ten thousand feet above the sea Teton's seventy miles of grey, Lake Yellowstone far distant seen The Canyon's many miles away.

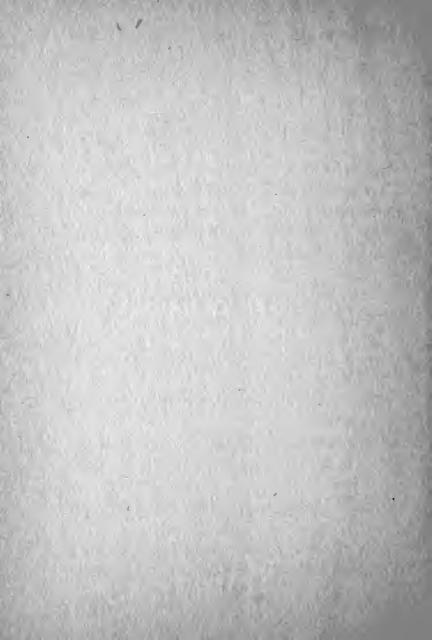
The mountain sides are beds of flowers
The mosses soft and green
The rocks and crags and ravines deep
Depict a glorious scene.

We feel Thy presence here, Oh Lord!
We thank Thee for thy grace,
The pleasure that Thou giv'st to us
No time can ere efface.



## THE GREAT LAKES

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### DULUTH, MINN.

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Leaving Duluth (shoestring by name) We pass through Aerial Bridge

Steaming far away on this glorious night Sun sinking to rest beyond mountain ridge.

Yon moon rises brilliantly, in bright starry skies,

Queer freighters now glide smoothly by,

Some pleasure craft pass, a canoe hovers near.

The gulls flap their wings, as they soar in the sky.

To Houghton we come when the morning appears

After passing through tiny narrows
Here are many large mines of good copper

ore

Shafts, crushers, separators and bulk ere it goes

To the smelters to be refined and then sold. Leaving Keweenaw Bay and Potage Lake [85]

### DULUTH, MINN.

Into Superior we glide,

Winding our way through soft passageways,

Catching light breezes which nature provides

The sail is so restful, the day clear and
calm,

For all tired nerves a cool, healing balm.

#### SUNSET ON LAKE SUPERIOR

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Great heavy clouds of ashen grey
Tipped by a roseate coral hue
Beneath at sea line crimson fire
With mists of evening breaking through
We ask where is the silver lining?
'Tis ruby while this sun is shining!

#### THE SOO CANAL

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In the still of the night we're awakened From a deep and restful sleep By the whistle shrilly blowing And the sound of treading feet. The "Soo Canal" we're approaching With its lighted waterway, Hundreds of lanterns glisten As night is turned to day. Our steamer enters the well-built lock The gate is closed with no sound or shock. Another is opened just ahead, We're sinking fast to a level bed. Out of Superior into St. Mary's we glide, This feat accomplished with stately pride. The gates are closed quite tight again, Waiting a ship from over the main.

#### MACKINAC ISLAND

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Mackinac Island with its natural arch,
Sugar loaf rock and picturesque Fort,
The burial place of Joliet.
The statue in bronze of Father Marquette,
The lovely homes and interesting stores,
The forests of cedars bordering its shores,
Fine fishing grounds for the sportsmen here,
A charming spot by all held dear.

#### ST. CLAIRE RIVER

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Placid St. Claire River which winds so gracefully,

Dotted with homes and lovely farms, Seen many miles away.

The soil is fertile hereabouts, The atmosphere so pure,

The charms of everything we see Our hearts and minds allure.

#### **NIAGARA**

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Rushing in rapids from Erie's lake Turning and twisting ever, Niagara with kingly waterfalls Its glories will live forever. Over the precipice, falling below In thousands of gallons of spray, Seething and hissing and causing a roar, Dashing and whirling madly away. As the water rushes on the rocks, They're hewn by the force of it all: Yearly the contour changes Of these beautiful, stately falls. Mists ascending from below, As heavy, silvery cloud is seen Vanishing into the atmosphere. Feeding the shrubs so green. Mighty torrents rushing on, Leap and dance in snow-white foam. Standing below and gazing above On this marvelous, roaring mass, [91]

#### **NIAGARA**

High, rocky, granite wall on side,
Leaping volumes momentarily pass.
Islands divided by rushing waters,
Trees with foliage green,
Happy warblers singing therein—
Truly a glorious scene.
Miles of rushing, whirling rapids
Traveling with voluminous strength,
Racing and tumbling, swifter and swifter
Till they reach the river at length.

#### THE END OF A PERFECT TRIP

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Our journey's o'er, We're home again, We've naught, dear friends, to rue. We've seen the west. The glorious west, Its many beauties too! We'll leave our play And get to work, Yea, do it with a will. We hope in future, dear, dear friends To make some journeys still. Good-bye, dear friends, We're sad at heart At thought of leaving you. Best friends must part Tis ever said, Adieu, adieu, adieu.





